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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD – 25 MARCH 2018

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Our Saviour and Sacred Hearts are both handicapped accessible.

MASS FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Saturday (*Anticipated Mass*): 5:00 p.m. (Our Saviour)
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. (Our Saviour),
11:00 a.m. (Our Saviour), 12:45 p.m. (Sacred Hearts),
3:00 p.m. Korean-English Bilingual (Sacred Hearts),
5:00 p.m. (Our Saviour), 5:30 p.m. (Sacred Hearts)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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DAILY MASS

Monday-Friday: 7:45 a.m. (Our Saviour)
Monday-Saturday: 12:05 p.m. (Our Saviour)
Monday-Friday: 5:15 p.m. (Sacred Hearts)

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HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

As announced.

NOVENA DEVOTIONS

after the 12:05 p.m. Mass

Monday: Miraculous Medal
Tuesday: St. Anthony
Wednesday: St. Jude
Thursday: St. Anne
Friday: Sacred Heart

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Fridays after the 7:45 a.m. Mass
until Benediction at 11:50 a.m. (Our Saviour)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (CONFESSION)

Our Saviour:

Monday-Friday: 7:20-7:40 a.m., 12:40-1:00 p.m.
Saturday: 4:30-4:55 p.m.; Sunday: 10:30-10:50 a.m.

Sacred Hearts:

Sunday: 5:00-5:15 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrange at least six (6) months in advance.
For information, please call (212) 679-8166 x220.

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To register, please fill out a registration form
at the Parish Office at Our Saviour.

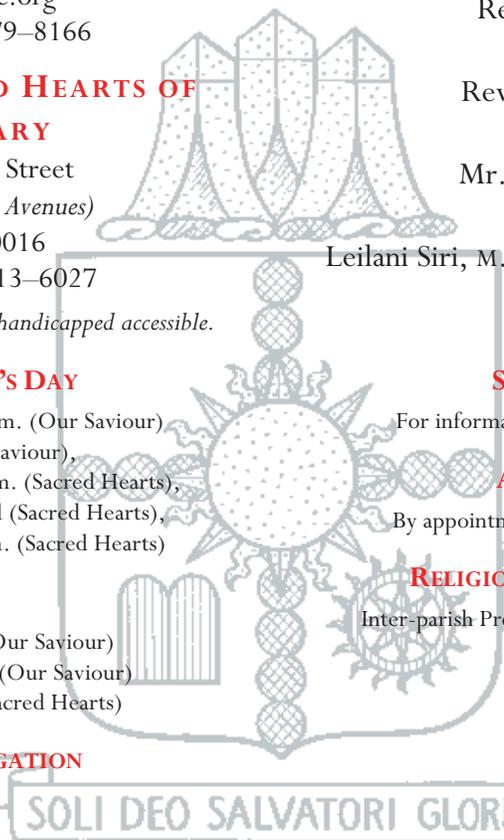
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The Church Undercroft is available for wedding receptions,
Christening parties, meetings, and special events.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 25 March – *Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord*

5:00 p.m. Maria Cortez +

9:00 a.m. James Neelan +

11:00 a.m. Pro Populo

12:45 p.m. Giuseppe & Luigia Graci +

5:00 p.m. Asuncion Vergara +

5:30 p.m. Jenny Depido +

Monday, 26 March – *Monday of Holy Week*

7:45 a.m. John Pino +

12:05 p.m. Roy Maier +

5:15 p.m. *No Intention*

Tuesday, 27 March – *Tuesday of Holy Week*

7:45 a.m. Emilio Reyes +

12:05 p.m. Michelina Cordone +

5:15 p.m. *No Intention*

Wednesday, 28 March – *Wednesday of Holy Week*

7:45 a.m. Rosanna Azzaro & Family (L)

12:05 p.m. Catherine Robbins +

5:15 p.m. *No Intention*

Thursday, 29 March – *Thursday of the Lord's Supper*

6:00 p.m. Pro Populo

Friday, 30 March – *Friday of the Passion of the Lord*

3:15 p.m. Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday, 31 March – *Holy Saturday*

8:00 p.m. Pro Populo

Mass Intentions may be reserved through the Parish Office at the Church of Our Saviour. Please stop by or call (212) 679-8166 x210.

IN YOUR PRAYERS, please remember Bill Bako, Pat Coleine, Glenda Coriano, Nancy Doran, Francis Grealis, Rose Montalvo, Loretta Mugno, Nancy Mullaney, Joan Murphy, Corazon Natividad, Luis Ottobre, Virginia Rodriguez, Mateo Tobia, Bridgette Wroten, and John Yuh, who are ill, and for the Reverend Antimo Fiorillo and the Reverend Carlos Lopez-Acosta, who have died.

Prayer intentions for the sick will be listed for one month and may be renewed by calling the parish office.

FROM THE HOLY FATHER'S TWITTER

@Pontifex: Lent is the road that leads from slavery to freedom, from suffering to joy, from death to life.

RECONCILIATION MONDAY – 26 MARCH

Confessions will be heard on Reconciliation Monday, 26 March at the Church of Our Saviour from 7:20–7:40 a.m., 12:40–1:00 p.m., and 3:00–9:00 p.m. and at the Chapel of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary from 12:00–1:00 p.m.

WELCOME

If you are a visitor, we welcome you to the Church of Our Saviour and the Chapel of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary and hope that you will come back soon. Those who wish to join the parish may register in the Parish Office, which is located at the Church of Our Saviour.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH

Intention for Evangelization: *Formation in Spiritual Discernment* – That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

Collections for the week ending 18 March:

Our Saviour: Sunday: \$3,112 • Weekdays: \$765
Easter Flowers: \$1,225 • Shrines: \$912

Sacred Hearts: Sunday: \$1,514
Easter Flowers: \$641 • Shrines: \$361

WeShare (*Our Saviour and Sacred Hearts*): \$2,029
Parishioners are encouraged to make their donations online through WeShare, which is accessible via our website, <www.oursaviournyc.org>.

Please make **all** checks payable to the
Church of Our Saviour.

To help us meet our expenses, please prayerfully consider a sacrificial offering of twenty dollars for your weekly offering to the parish.

Thank you for your generosity!

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY

The Second Collection next Sunday is the Easter gift that our parishioners and visitors make to the parish. Please remember that the cost to operate and maintain Our Saviour and Sacred Hearts exceeds what we receive in the weekly collection. Thank you for your generosity.

PALM SUNDAY

This Sunday begins the holiest week of the year. Palms will be blessed at all Masses. The Solemn Procession with Palms takes place at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please note that confessions will not be heard before the 11:00 a.m. Mass this Sunday or next Sunday.

THE SACRED TRIDUUM

Holy Week is the most important time of the year for Christians and one of the most memorable celebrations we have in this parish. Many visitors join us this week. If you are a visitor, please know that you are welcome!

It is not too late to look at your calendar and clear it for Thursday through Saturday. Clear it so that you can be here. Join us for the entire Triduum. They are interconnected with each other. They are seen as one liturgy which extends from Holy Thursday to the Easter Vigil. There's no need to pick and choose – be here for it all. Why not invite at least *one friend* to join you for the Triduum?

As Saint Paul writes to the Ephesians, *God loved us with so much love that he was generous with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ – it is through grace that you have been saved – and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus.* We know how much God loves us, but does God know how much we love him?

HOLY THURSDAY COLLECTION

As we conclude our Lenten journey, a period during which we are called to give alms, the collection taken up at the Evening Mass on Holy Thursday is typically given to those in need. This year, the collection will go to *Opus Bono Sacerdotii*. Their mission statement: *To find solutions to the problems confronting priests in accordance with the authentic teaching of the Church and of the Holy Father and his predecessors.* The priests and staff of *Opus Bono Sacerdotii* facilitate care for Catholic priests who are experiencing difficulties in their personal life and priestly ministry. The majority of the work of the *Opus Bono* staff is in consulting and caring for priests who are experiencing acute difficulties, which may even be ministry threatening. A vital component of their urgent care is in providing monies to priests who are in dire need of the basic necessities of life, especially when they have no other available options for financial support. <www.opusbono.org>

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

On Good Friday, a special collection is taken up in all parishes throughout the Catholic world to help support the Church in the Holy Land.

SACRED MUSIC DURING HOLY WEEK

To celebrate the glory of the Passion and Resurrection of Christ, we provide special music for the liturgies of the Easter Triduum and the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Easter Day. If you are interested in making a contribution to help underwrite the cost, please contact the Pastor or Director of Music. Gifts may be given in memory of a loved one and will be acknowledged in the leaflet on Easter Day. All contributions are tax-deductible as allowed by law.

EASTER SUNDAY

Tickets are not distributed for the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Easter Sunday. However, we strongly suggest that our regular parishioners plan to arrive early, as the Church will be filled to capacity. The Prelude for organ and brass will begin at 10:40 a.m.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

In his recent Budget proposal, Governor Cuomo included a radical bill (S.7511) that would expand late-term abortions in New York State. The bill would eliminate New York's ban on late-term abortions allowing abortion for any reason in all nine months of pregnancy, empower non-doctors to perform abortions, and permit a baby born alive after an abortion to die of neglect and starvation. The enacted state budget requires three-way negotiation and must be finalized by April 1. The State Senate is our only hope to stop this tragedy. Please let your State Senator know that they must not allow the state budget to be used as a vehicle for expanding late-term abortion.

For ease of communication in contacting your Senator, go to <www.nyscatholic.org> and click on "Take Action", which will provide a message you can send directly to your Senator. If you prefer to call Senator John J. Flanagan (*Majority Leader*), who will be part of the three-way negotiation, he can be reached at (631) 361-2154, and say:

"I am calling because Governor Cuomo included a radical abortion expansion proposal (S.7511) in his budget bills. This proposal would eliminate virtually all limitations on abortion in New York State, particularly on late-term abortions. Please insist that these abortion provisions are removed from the final budget."

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

At the heart of this celebration, which seems so festive, are the words we heard in the hymn of the Letter to the Philippians: “*He humbled himself*” (2:8). *Jesus’ humiliation.*

These words show us *God’s way and, consequently, that which must be the way of Christians*: it is humility. A way which constantly amazes and disturbs us: we will never get used to a humble God!

Humility is above all *God’s way*: *God humbles himself to walk with his people*, to put up with their infidelity. This is clear when we read the story of the Exodus. How humiliating for the Lord to hear all that grumbling, all those complaints against Moses, but ultimately against him, their Father, who brought them out of slavery and was leading them on the journey through the desert to the land of freedom.

This week, Holy Week, which leads us to Easter, *we will take this path* of Jesus’ own humiliation. Only in this way will this week be “holy” for us too!

We will feel the contempt of the leaders of his people and their attempts to trip him up. We will be there at the betrayal of Judas, one of the Twelve, who will sell him for thirty pieces of silver. We will see the Lord arrested and carried off like a criminal; abandoned by his disciples, dragged before the Sanhedrin, condemned to death, beaten and insulted. We will hear Peter, the “rock” among the disciples, deny him three times. We will hear the shouts of the crowd, egged on by their leaders, who demand that Barabbas be freed and Jesus crucified. We will see him mocked by the soldiers, robed in purple and crowned with thorns. And then, as he makes his sorrowful way beneath the cross, we will hear the jeering of the people and their leaders, who scoff at his being King and Son of God.

This is *God’s way*, the way of humility. It is *the way* of Jesus; there is no other. And there can be no humility without humiliation.

During this week, let us set about with determination along this same path of humility, with immense love for him, our Lord and Saviour. *Love will guide us and give us strength.* For where he is, we too shall be (cf. *John 12:26*).

Pope Francis
29 March 2015

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, 25 MARCH

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

5:00 p.m. Saturday, Blessing of Palms and Sung Mass (OS)

9:00 a.m., Blessing of Palms and Low Mass (OS)

11:00 a.m., PROCESSION OF THE PALMS AND CHORAL MASS (OS)

12:45 p.m., Blessing of Palms and Sung Mass with Schola (SH)

5:00 p.m., Blessing of Palms and Low Mass (OS)

5:30 p.m., Blessing of Palms and Sung Mass (SH)

**MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY
26, 27, & 28 MARCH**

7:45 a.m. & 12:05 p.m., Mass (OS), 5:15 p.m. Mass (SH)

Confessions from 7:20–7:40 a.m. & 12:40–1:00 p.m. (OS)

N.B.: See Reconciliation Monday schedule.

THE GREAT EASTER TRIDUUM

THURSDAY, 29 MARCH

THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Confessions from 12:00–1:00 p.m. (OS)

12:05 p.m., Stations of the Cross

6:00 p.m., MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (OS)

with the Washing of Feet (Mandatum) and

Procession with the Holy Eucharist to the Repository

Father Andrew E. Kurzyna, *Homilist*

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11:00 p.m.

Compline (Night Prayer) will be chanted at 10:45 p.m.

FRIDAY, 30 MARCH

FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Good Friday is a day of strict fast and abstinence.

NOON, THE THREE HOURS DEVOTION (OS)

*Preacher: THE MOST REVEREND BERNARDITO C. AUZA
Apostolic Nuncio and Permanent Observer of the Holy See to the UN*

During the Three Hours Devotion, the choir will sing

The Seven Last Words of Christ by Théodore Dubois

3:15 p.m., THE CELEBRATION OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (OS)

with Veneration of the Wood of the Cross

and reception of Holy Communion

6:00 p.m., Stations of the Cross (SH)

SATURDAY, 31 MARCH – HOLY SATURDAY

8:00 p.m., THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT (OS)

with ceremonies of the Kindling of the Easter Fire,

Lighting of the Paschal Candle, the Sacrament of Confirmation,
and the First Mass of Easter

SUNDAY, 1 APRIL – EASTER SUNDAY

9:00 a.m., Sung Mass (OS)

11:00 a.m., SOLEMN MASS WITH CHOIR AND BRASS (OS)

12:45 p.m., Sung Mass with Schola (SH)

Please note that there are no evening Masses on Easter Day.

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